


United States Bankruptcy Court SOUTHERN District of TEXAS		PROOF OF CLAIM Chapter # <u>11</u>		United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of Texas FILED AUG 07 2000 Michael N. Milby, Clerk
In re (Name of Debtor) STAGE STORES, INC., SPECIALTY RETAILERS, INC.,		Case Number BK-00-35078-H2-11		
NOTE: This form should not be used to make a claim for an administrative expense arising after the commencement of the case. A "request" for payment of an administrative expense may be filled pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 503.				
Name of Creditor (The person or other entity to whom the debtor owes money or property) Forrest "Butch" Freeman OKLAHOMA COUNTY TREASURER		<input type="checkbox"/> Check box if you are aware that anyone else has filed a proof of claim relating to your claim. Attach copy of statement giving particulars. <input type="checkbox"/> Check box if you have never received any notices from the bankruptcy court in this case. <input type="checkbox"/> Check box if the address differs from the address on the envelope sent to you by the court.		THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONLY
Name and Address Where Notices Should be Sent Forrest "Butch" Freeman Oklahoma County Treasurer 320 Robert S. Kerr, Rm 307 Oklahoma City, OK 73102 Telephone No. (405) 713-1300				
ACCOUNT OR OTHER NUMBER BY WHICH CREDITOR IDENTIFIES DEBTOR: 1994292, 1994290, 1994293, 1994297, 1992138, 1994295, 1991646, 1994294, etc..		Check box if this claim <input type="checkbox"/> replaces <input type="checkbox"/> amends a previously filed claim, dated: _____		
1. BASIS FOR CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/> Goods sold <input type="checkbox"/> Retiree benefits as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 1114(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Services performed <input type="checkbox"/> Wages, salaries and compensation (fill out below) <input type="checkbox"/> Money loaned Your Social Security number _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Personal injury/wrongful death Unpaid compensation for services performed from _____ To _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Taxes (date) (date) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Describe briefly)				
2. DATE DEBT WAS INCURRED 2000 BUSINESS PERSONAL AD VALOREM TAXES		3. IF COURT JUDGEMENT, DATE OBTAINED:		
4. CLASSIFICATION OF CLAIM. Under the Bankruptcy code all claims are classified as one or more of the following: (1) Unsecured nonpriority, (2) Unsecured priority, (3) Secured. It is possible for part of a claim to be in one category and part in another. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX OR BOXES that best describes your claim and STATE THE AMOUNT OF THE CLAIM AT TIME CASE FILED.				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SECURED CLAIM \$ <u>82,602.15</u> Attach evidence of perfection of security interest Brief Description of Collateral: <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Other Describe briefly STATUTORY LIEN: O.S. TITLE 68 § 3101 Amount of arrearage and other charges at time case filed included in secured claim above, if any \$ _____		Specify the priority of the claim. <input type="checkbox"/> Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$4000). *earned not more than 90 days before filing of the bankruptcy petition or cessation of the debtor's business, whichever is earlier - 11 U.S.C. § 507 (a) (3) <input type="checkbox"/> Contributions to an employee benefit plan- 11 U.S.C. § 507 (a) (4) <input type="checkbox"/> Up to \$1,800* of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental property or services for personal, family, or household use - 11 U.S.C. § 507 (a) (4) <input type="checkbox"/> Alimony, maintenance, or support owed to a spouse, former spouse or child- 11 U.S.C. § 507 (a) (7) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Taxes or penalties or governmental units- 11 U.S.C. § 507 (a) (8) <input type="checkbox"/> Other-Specify applicable paragraph of 11 U.S.C. § 507 (a) _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> UNSECURED NONPRIORITY CLAIM \$ _____ A claim is unsecured if there is no collateral or lien on property of the debtor securing the claim or to the extent that the value of such property is less than the amount of the claim.		* Amounts are subject to adjustment on 4/1/98 and every 3 years thereafter with respect to cases commenced on or after the date of adjustment.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNSECURED PRIORITY CLAIM \$ TO THE EXTENT SECURED CLAIM NOT ALLOWED				
5. TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM AT THE TIME \$ <u>\$82,602.15 + 18% int See Above</u> CASE FILED: (Unsecured) (Secured) (Priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if claim includes charges in addition to the principal amount of the claim. Attach itemized statement of all additional charges.		\$ <u>82,602.15</u> (Total)		
6. CREDITS AND SETOFFS: The amount of all payments on this claim has been credited and deducted for the purpose of making this proof of claim. In filing this claim, claimant has deducted all amounts that claimant owes to debtor. 7. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: Attach copies of supporting documents, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements of running accounts, contracts, court judgements, or evidence of security interests. If the documents are not available, explain. If the documents are voluminous, attach a summary. 8. TIME-STAMPED COPY: To receive an acknowledgement of the filing of your claim, enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope and copy of this proof of claim.				THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONLY <div style="font-size: 2em; font-family: cursive;">001199</div>
Date: <u>AUGUST 2, 2000</u>		Sign and print the name and title, if any, of the creditor or other person authorized to file this claim (attach copy of power of attorney, if any). <div style="text-align: center;">  TAMMY MIKULA, DEPUTY TREASURER </div>		

Penalty for presenting fraudulent claim: Fine of up to \$500,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152 & 3571.

**FROM THE OFFICE OF
FORREST "BUTCH" FREEMAN, OKLAHOMA COUNTY TREASURER
320 ROBERT S KERR, ROOM 307
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA 73102
TELEPHONE NUMBER: 713-1300 FAX NUMBER: 713-7158**

TO: U.S. Bankruptcy Court
SOUTHERN District of TEXAS

DATE: August 2, 2000

Bankruptcy No.: BK-00-35078-H2

Account Number(s) of Property(s) Involved:

RE DEBTOR:


Specialty Retailers, Inc.
1994292, 1994290, 1994293, 1994297,
1992138, 1994295, 1991646, 1994294,
1994296, 1994291

Stage Stores, Inc.,
Specialty Retailers, Inc.

Description of Property: 2000 Business Personal Ad Valorem Taxes

Year & Type Of Tax	Lien Number	Amount Of Tax	Interest Fee & Cost	Total
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1994292	5573.88	1393.47	6967.35
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1994290	8328.42	2082.11	10410.53
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1994293	6654.50	1663.63	8318.13
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1994297	8580.75	2145.19	10725.94
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1992138	6438.87	1609.72	8048.59
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1994295	3756.23	939.06	4695.29
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1991646	792.72	198.18	990.90
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1994294	7452.18	1863.05	9315.23
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1994296	9114.58	2278.65	11393.23
2000 Bus. Pers Advalorem Tax	1994291	9389.57	2347.39	11736.96

Grand Total \$ 82,602.15

Deputy 
Tammy Mikula, Deputy Treasurer

**NOTICE: WHILE THE TREASURER'S OFFICE MAKES EVERY EFFORT TO ENSURE THE
CORRECTNESS OF THIS STATEMENT, ANY ERROR CONTAINED HEREIN DOES NOT CONSTITUTE
A WAIVER OF ANY TAX AMOUNTS BY OR FOR THE COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE OR THE
TAXPAYER.**

(405)-713-1283

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of August, 2000, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing NOTICE was mailed by first class mail to the Debtor; the Debtor's Attorney; and the Chapter 11 Trustee.



Tammy Mikula, Deputy Treasurer

IN RE:

Debtor.

Case No. BK: 00-35078-H2-11
Chapter 11

NOTICE OF LIEN

COMES NOW the Oklahoma County Treasurer a secured creditor herein,
and gives its Notice of Lien pursuant to 11 U.S.C. Section 546(b), respectfully
showing the Court the following:

1. The undersigned, claimant herein, has its principal place of business at 320 Robert S. Kerr, Room 307, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102.
2. The Debtor filed its voluntary petition under Chapter 11 on JUNE 1, 2000.
3. The above named debtor and the debtors property, which is now property of the estate, is indebted to the Oklahoma County Treasurer for ad valorem property taxes as referenced by the respective tax assessments attached hereto.

4. Ad valorem property taxes constitute liens on the property of the Debtor pursuant to 68 O.S. Sections 2925, 2929, 3101, 3102 and 3103. While the County maintains it has an everpresent interest in taxable property, the assessment date of taxable property in Oklahoma is January 1st of the assessment year pursuant to 68 O.S. Section 2817, although the liens do not attach at that time.

5. To the extent (if any) that applicable law requires the County to take further action to perfect it's lien interest upon the Debtor's properties, the County recognizes that it may be stayed by the provisions of 11 U.S.C. Section 362 from taking such other action as may be required under applicable law to perfect it's interest. Accordingly, pursuant to the provisions of 11 U.S.C. Section 546(b), and for the purpose of perfecting it's lien interest in the Debtor's properties, to the extent, if any, that such interest has not been duly perfected previously, County hereby notifies the Debtor and all parties in interest that the County has a valid, duly perfected first priority lien interest in any and all of the Debtor's assessed and taxable real property pursuant to 68 O.S. Section 3101; a lien interest in any and all of the Debtor's assessed and taxable personal property which arises upon the sale of the same pursuant to 68 O.S. Section 2925 and 2929; and, a lien interest that is superior to all others filed subsequent to it in all other property of the Debtor pursuant to 68 O.S. Section 3102 and 3103; and, 11 U.S.C. Section 546(b).

6. This notification is not intended and shall not be construed as a waiver of, or an election of remedies with respect to, any of the rights and/or remedies that the County may have pursuant to applicable law, and all such rights are expressly reserved. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute an admission that this Notice is necessary in order for the County to perfect it's interest in the Debtor's properties.

Dated: AUGUST 2, 2000

Respectfully submitted,

OKLAHOMA COUNTY TREASURER

By:



Gretchen Crawford, OBA #14651
Assistant District Attorney
Oklahoma County Treasurer
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Tammy Mikula, Deputy Treasurer